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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Assistant Deputy Director for Production
National Security Agency

SUBJECT :

1. Your recent spot reports

have been extremely valuable in our continuing efforts to monitor the Communists' activities, capabilities, and intentions. correlation by your analysts of with other data showed the level of expertise that the community has come to expect from your people. As you are aware, such analysis and the resultant intelligence are of the highest priority at present, and are vital inputs to the evaluations and judgments which have been, are, and will be asked of us by our masters downtown.

2. In reviewing the reports however, a point common to both literally jumped out at me. i.e.

the final conclusions were not reached until 22 March and 11 April. I realize that there were a number of anomalies present which had to be addressed before publishing on these sensitive subjects, and I find no real fault with the decision to delay publication until these anomalies had been satisfactorily resolved. I am a little bothered, however, by the length of the delay before publication.

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3. It is my understanding that collation and analysis of []
[] have traditionally had a relatively low priority, given the many
other demands on your peoples' time []. The
importance [] in the current context, however, []
[] suggests to me that the priority should be raised for the time being.
Indeed, you may have already done so, and this paragraph may already
have been overtaken by your continuing shuffling of your assets to meet
the changing needs of the community and its customers.

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